



TOWN OF GRAFTON
GRAFTON MEMORIAL MUNICIPAL CENTER
30 PROVIDENCE ROAD

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BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING AGENDA
January 15, 2019
Municipal Center, Conference Room A
7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. SCHEDULE

2. RESIGNATIONS

- a) [Ken Sherman, Trustees of Soldiers Memorials](#)

3. APPOINTMENTS

Board of Selectmen

- a) [Vote to Disband the Grafton Town House Oversight Committee](#)
- b) [Vote to appoint Kimberly Bagni, Grafton Historical Commission](#)

Town Administrator

- c) None

4. NEW BUSINESS

- a) [One Day Beer and Wine Application – Tufts](#)
- b) [One Day Beer and Wine Application - Apple Tree Arts](#)
- c) [Music License – Reunion Tap & Table](#)
- d) [Tree City Proclamation](#)
- e) [Bag Fee Increase – Presentation](#)

5. SELECTMEN REPORTS / TA REPORTS

6. CORRESPONDENCE

7. DISCUSSION

- a) Town Administrator Evaluation
- b) Tri-Com Meeting Expectations

8. MEETING MINUTES

- a) Board of Selectmen

EXECUTIVE SESSION

MGL Chapter 30A, Sec. 21(3)

Litigation Update

Litigation Strategy

Union Negotiations

Land Negotiation

Non Union Negotiations

Strategy for Negotiations

Minutes

ADJOURN

#2 (a) RESIGNATIONS - TRUSTEES OF SOLDIERS MEMORIALS

Due to a change in his employment status, Ken is unable to serve on the committee. The Board is asked to accept his resignation.

MOTION:

I move the board vote to accept the resignation of Ken Sherman from the Trustees of Soldiers Memorials and send a letter of thanks.

Cindy Ide

From: Jane Zwicker
Sent: Friday, January 11, 2019 10:27 AM
To: Cindy Ide
Subject: Fwd: Trust Membership

FYI....

Thanks,
Jayne

----- Forwarded message -----

From: Ken Sherman <asa663@verizon.net>

Date: Fri, Jan 11, 2019 at 10:04 AM

Subject: Trust Membership

To: <wbbboat@verizon.net>, <cutlercw@aol.com>, <andrewfkjellberg@gmail.com>, <asa663@verizon.net>, <jsousa@centralmassvets.org>, <clerks@graffton-ma.gov>, <wallyland@verizon.net>, <davecallahan747@gmail.com>

Cc: <tohy20051@verizon.net>

Hello, All:

I was sorry to miss yesterday's Memorials Trust meeting but I am now on call as a sub teacher. Therefore, I will be resigning from the Trust. I have enjoyed working with all of you and hope your good work continues.

Ken Sherman

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Jayne Zwicker

Administrative Assistant

Town Clerk's Office

Town of Grafton

30 Providence Road

Grafton, MA 01519

508-839-5335 x 1141

508-839-4602 (fax)

#3 (a) APPOINTMENTS - DISBAND THE GRAFTON TOWN HOUSE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

The committee submitted a letter dated Jan 10, 2019 requesting the board disband the Townhouse Oversight Committee as they feel they have completed their charge with the renovations complete and a master lease in place.

MOTION:

I move the board vote to disband the Grafton Townhouse Oversight Committee .



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GRAFTON, MASSACHUSETTS 01519

Town House Oversight Committee

Attn: Board of Selectmen
c/o Tim McInerney, Town Administrator



January 10, 2019

It is with mixed emotions that the members of the Town House Oversight Committee submit this request to disband our committee. With major renovations completed, we believe our charge has been largely satisfied. While there remains a need for masonry and window repairs, with the Board's decision to put a master lease in place on the building, this committee finds itself at a crossroads and feels the most appropriate course of action is to disband at this time.

The Board may wish to consider whether the establishment of a new committee with a revised charge would be a prudent course of action for pursuing any future building renovations/restoration work, and this committee would be happy to meet with you to discuss this at the Board's convenience.

We would also like to take a moment to recognize the following committee members who graciously gave of their time and energy over the past 10 years in order to make the vision of a restored Town House funded through a unique public/private partnership a reality:

- Brook Padgett, Chairman*
- John Morgan, Vice Chairman*
- Paul Scarlett, Clerk*
- Scott Browne
- Linda Casey
- Mark Carlson
- Justin Hollander
- John Marro*
- Mary Anne (Nolan) Polad
- David Therrien
- Bill Yeomans

** Served all 10 years*

Sincerely,

Brook Padgett, John Morgan, John Marro, Paul Scarlett, David Therrien & Bill Yeomans

#3 (b) APPOINTMENTS GRAFTON HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Kimberly Bagni submitted a letter of interest to serve on the Grafton Historical Commission. Kimberly is a Realtor and is excited to serve on the committee. Her information was given to the commission's chairman, Dave Therrien. He has spoken with Kimberly and is happy to have Kimberly appointed.

MOTION:

I move the board vote to appoint Kimberly Bagni to the Grafton Historical Commission for a three year term.

RESIDENTIAL INTEREST LIST



Name: Kimberly Fagni
 Phone: 508. 769. 5258
 Address: 66 Old Upton Road, Grafton 01519
 Cell Phone: 508. 769. 5258
 Occupation: Realtor
 Special Training/Education: _____
 Amount of time available: monthly
 Date Submitted: 11/26/2018
 Email Address: Kimberlybagnirealestate@gmail.com

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Registrars of Voters |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cable Television Oversight Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> By-law Review Committee # |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Board of Selectmen * | <input type="checkbox"/> Cable Advisory Committee |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Library Board of Trustees * | <input type="checkbox"/> Capital Improvement Planning Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Information Technology Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Cemetery Commission |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Board of Assessors | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Conservation Commission |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Council on Aging | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Finance Committee |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Affordable Housing Trust | <input type="checkbox"/> Grafton Cultural Council |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Board of Health * | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grafton Housing Trust |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Historical Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Historic District Commission |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Personnel Advisory Committee | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Planning Board * |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Works Advisory Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Town Report Committee | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Zoning Board of Appeals |

* Indicates an elected board

Indicates cyclical need

☐ Other _____
 Print Committee Name

The filling out of this form in no way assures appointment. All committee vacancies will be filled by citizens deemed most qualified to serve in a particular capacity. If you are interested in serving on a town committee please fill out this form and return it to the Office of the Town Administrator, Grafton Municipal Center, 30 Providence Rd., Grafton, MA 01519 or email to idec@grafton-ma.gov

#4 (a) NEW BUSINESS – ONE DAY BEER & WINE LICENSE (TUFTS)

Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine at Tufts University has submitted application for four (4) one day beer and wine licenses. They have a TIPS trained server and proper insurance.

On February 6, March 6, April 3 and May 8 seminars will be held for faculty to present their research work to their colleagues. Approximately 15 – 20 people attend.

As you know, Tufts has been issued many licenses over the past several years. There have been no issues and they have been very responsible with serving. Trena Haroutunian organizes these events and has done so for the past several years. For this reason, I did not require her to attend.

MOTION:

I move the board vote to approve one day beer and wine licenses for events being held at the Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine at Tufts University on the following dates: February 6, March 6, April 3 and May 8, 2019.

Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine at Tufts University
Department of Biomedical Sciences

DATE: November 27, 2018

Company Name: _____

Application for and/or renewal of Town Licenses. Please complete both sides and return to the Board of Selectmen with your payment.

** The Board of Selectmen meet on the first and third Tuesday of every month. If your application and/or renewal is not received and processed by Noon on Wednesday prior to the Selectmen's meeting on said Tuesday, your request will be delayed until the next scheduled meeting.

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(+) Campus Wide WIP Seminars - Varis Lecture Hall, Large Animal Hospital
4:00 to 5:15 PM

Feb. 6, 2019, March 6, 2019, April 3, 2019 and May 8, 2019

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
Town of Grafton, Massachusetts

I hereby respectfully make application for a Renewal () / Original () license as indicated by (X), for which the fee is enclosed.

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|--|--------------------------------------|
| () Garage Class _____ (\$100) | () Music (\$10) |
| () Peddler (\$25.00) | () Common Victuallers (\$25) |
| () Pool Room, _____ tables at (\$25) each | () Innholders (\$25) |
| () Bowling, _____ alleys at (\$25) each | (X) One Day Beer & Wine (\$25) x [4] |
| () Auctioneer (\$25) | () One Day All Alcoholic (\$25) |
| () One Day Auctioneer (\$10) | () Second Hand Articles (\$40) |
| () Pinball (\$30). Include name and manufacturer of machine below. If more space is needed, please use reverse side | |

Business Name: Department of Biomedical Sciences

License in name of: Trena Haroutunian

Name: _____

Title: Staff/Program Assistant

Manufacturer: _____

Business Address: Department of Biomedical Sciences
Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine at Tufts University
200 Westboro Road
North Grafton, MA 01536-1895

Phone No.: 508-839-8788 Email: trena.haroutunian@tufts.edu

Residence: _____ N/A

Phone No. _____ N/A

Signature of Applicant: _____

Trena Haroutunian

PLEASE COMPLETE THE REVERSE SIDE

Pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 62C, Section 49A. I certify under the penalties of perjury that, to my best knowledge and belief, I have filed all State tax returns and paid all State taxes required under law.

Trustees of Tufts College, c/o Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine Dean's Office

(Print) Name (of individual or Corporation as applicable)

200 Westboro Road

Street Address

North Grafton

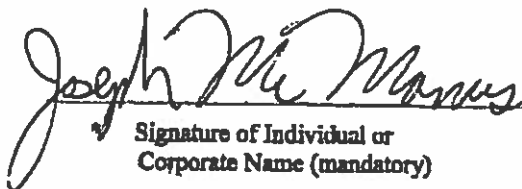
MA

01536

City/Town

State

Zip Code



Executive Associate Dean

Signature of Individual or
Corporate Name (mandatory)

Re: Corporate Officer
(mandatory, if applicable)

FEIN: 042103634

** Social Security No. (voluntary) or
Federal Identification Number

* This license will not be issued unless this certification clause is signed by the applicant.

** Your Social Security number will be furnished to the Massachusetts Department of Revenue to determine whether you have met tax filing or tax payment obligations. Licensees who fail to correct their non-filing or delinquency will be subject to license suspension or revocation. This request is made under the authority of Mass. G.L. c 62s. 49A.

Date:

11/28/18

4 (b) ONE DAY BEER AND WINE LICENSE (APPLE TREE ARTS)

Apple Tree Arts has submitted application for three (3) one day beer and wine licenses. They have a TIPS trained server and proper insurance.

Events:

January 26, 2019 - Claflin Hill Symphony Orchestra

February 8th & 9th – Little Shop of Horrors, the Musical

There have been no issues and they have been very responsible with serving.

MOTION:

I move the board vote to approve one day beer and wine licenses for events being held at Apple Tree Arts on the following dates:

January 26th, February 8th and February 9th, 2019.

Apple Tree Arts
Company Name/Applicant Name

DATE: 1/2/19

Application for and/or renewal of Town Licenses. Please complete both sides and return to the Board of Selectmen with your payment.

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1/26/19
Date(s) of Function

One Grafton Common
Location of Function

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
Town of Grafton, Massachusetts

I hereby respectfully make application for a Renewal () / Original () license as indicated by (X), for which the fee is enclosed.

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|--|----------------------------------|
| () Garage Class _____ (\$100) | () Music/Entertainment (\$10) |
| () Peddler (\$25.00) | () Common Victuallers (\$25) |
| () Pool Room, _____ tables at (\$25) each | () Innholders (\$25) |
| () Bowling, _____ alleys at (\$25) each | (X) One Day Beer & Wine (\$25) |
| () Auctioneer (\$25) | () One Day All Alcoholic (\$25) |
| () One Day Auctioneer (\$10) | () Second Hand Articles (\$40) |
| () Pinball (\$30). Include name and manufacturer of machine below. If more space is needed, please use reverse side | |

Name: _____

Manufacturer: _____

Business Name: Apple Tree Arts

License in name of: Donna Blanchard

Title: Executive Director

Business Address: One Grafton Common
Grafton, MA 01519

Phone No.: 508-839-4286

Residence: 24 Barbara Jean Street
Grafton, MA 01519

Phone No. 508-839-4984

Signature of Applicant: Donna Blanchard

PLEASE COMPLETE THE REVERSE SIDE

Pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 62C, Section 49A. I certify under the penalties of perjury that, to my best knowledge and belief, I have filed all State tax returns and paid all State taxes required under law.

Apple Tree Arts
(Print) Name (of individual or Corporation as applicable)

One Gratton Common
Street Address

Gratton, MA 01579
City/Town State Zip Code

* Signature of Individual or
Corporate Name (mandatory)

Re: Corporate Officer
(mandatory, if applicable)

04-3267088
** Social Security No. (voluntary) or
Federal Identification Number

* This license will not be issued unless this certification clause is signed by the applicant.

** Your Social Security number will be furnished to the Massachusetts Department of Revenue to determine whether you have met tax filing or tax payment obligations. Licensees who fail to correct their non-filing or delinquency will be subject to license suspension or revocation. This request is made under the authority of Mass. G.L. c 62s. 49A.

Date: 1/2/19

Season Tickets ON SALE NOW! Call × 508.478.5924 To Reserve Yours.



The Claflin Hill
Symphony Orchestra

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Chamber Series

Last year's launch of the new Chamber Music series in association with Apple Tree

Arts was a HUGE success. We're planning another great season ready to launch this fall.



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Sign our mailing list to be the first to know about the 2018-19 chamber music program.

Big Serenade Night Out!

Saturday, January 26,
2019

7:30 PM – 9:30 PM

Apple Tree Arts
One Grafton
Common, Grafton,
MA ([map](#))

[Google Calendar](#) ·
[ICS](#)

CHSO Director Paul Surapine leads a cohort of CHSO Winds and String collaborators in an evening of large ensemble serenade works, including the Dvorak Serenade for Winds & Strings – a crowning opus of the genre, and always an audience favorite!

[Buy tickets](#)

News & Notes

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NOW.

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Elizabeth Colognesi
2A Powerline Dr
Grafton, MA 01519-1012

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Signature

Apple Tree Arts
Company Name/Applicant Name

DATE: 1/2/19

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2/8 - 2/9/19
Date(s) of Function

One Grafton Common
Location of Function

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
Town of Grafton, Massachusetts

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| () One Day Auctioneer (\$10) | () Second Hand Articles (\$40) |
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Name: _____

Manufacturer: _____

Business Name: Apple Tree Arts

License in name of: Donna Blanchard

Title: Executive Director

Business Address: One Grafton Common
Grafton, MA 01519

Phone No.: 508-839-4286

Residence: 24 Barbara Jean Street
Grafton, MA 01519

Phone No. 508-839-4984

Signature of Applicant: Donna Blanchard

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Apple Tree Arts
(Print) Name (of individual or Corporation as applicable)

One Gratton Common
Street Address

Gratton, MA 01519
City/Town State Zip Code

* Signature of Individual or
Corporate Name (mandatory)

Re: Corporate Officer
(mandatory, if applicable)

04-3267088

** Social Security No. (voluntary) or
Federal Identification Number

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Date: 1/2/19



Apple Tree Arts Presents

The Apple Tree Arts Community Players in

LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS



**Friday, February 8 at 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, February 9 at 2:00 p.m.
Saturday, February 9 at 7:30 p.m.**

Great Hall at Apple Tree Arts

**Tickets can be purchased in advance for \$15
at www.appletreearts.org or Apple Tree Arts office.**

A deviously delicious Broadway and Hollywood sci-fi smash musical! Howard Ashman and Alan Menken (Disney's *The Little Mermaid*, *Beauty and The Beast*, and *Aladdin*) are the creative geniuses behind what has become one of the most popular shows in the world!

Join in the fun while Seymour tries to contain the new breed of carnivorous plant he names "Audrey II" – after his coworker and crush. Will Seymour prevail, or will Audrey II win his bid for global domination?!



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Signature

#4 (c) NEW BUSINESS MUSIC LICENSE – REUNION TAP & TABLE

Tap & Table 198, LLC, d/b/a Reunion Tap & Table submitted application for a music license.

Inspections have been done and the required circuits are in place for safety purposes. They plan to have acoustic music, keeping the music at a similar volume level as the TV's and Recorded Music. This is an annual calendar year license.

MOTION:

I move the board vote to approve a music license for the Reunion Tap & Table, 198 Worceser Street.



COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

TOWN OF GRAFTON

APPLICATION FOR LICENSE

The undersigned hereby applies for a License in accordance with the provisions of the Statutes relating thereto: (FULL NAME OF PERSON, FIRM OR CORPORATION MAKING APPLICATION):

SPECIAL NOTICE. If you use scales or measures, you must have these devices tested annually by the Sealer of Weights and Measures in accordance with Chapter 9B of the Massachusetts General Laws.

Date(s) for one day events

Location

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen; Town of Grafton, Massachusetts

I hereby respectfully submit an application(s) for a license as indicated by (X), for which the fee is enclosed.

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Garage Class _____ (\$100) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Music (\$10) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hawkers/Peddler (\$25.00) | <input type="checkbox"/> Common Victuallers (\$25) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pool Room, 1 table(s) at (\$25) each | <input type="checkbox"/> Innholders (\$25) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bowling, _____ alleys at (\$25) each | <input type="checkbox"/> One Day Beer & Wine (\$25) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Auctioneer (\$25) | <input type="checkbox"/> One Day All Alcoholic (\$25) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> One Day Auctioneer (\$10) | <input type="checkbox"/> Second Hand Articles (\$40) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pinball (\$30). Include name and manufacturer of machine below. If more space is needed, please use reverse side | |

Business Name: Tap & Table 198, LLC., d.b.a. 'Reunion Tap & Table'

License Holders Name/Title: Sargon Hanna, Owner

Business Address: 198 Worcester Street, North Grafton, MA 01536

Residential Address: 208 Brigham Hill Road, North Grafton, MA 01536

Phone Number & Email Address: 508-864-4891, sargon@reuniontap.com

PLEASE COMPLETE THE REVERSE SIDE
Incomplete applications will not be processed

Pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 62C, Section 49A. I certify under the penalties of perjury that, to my best knowledge and belief, I have filed all State tax returns and paid all State taxes required under law.

Tap & Table 198, LLC

(Print) Name (of individual or Corporation as applicable)

198 Worcester Street

Street Address

North Grafton, MA 01536

City/Town

State

Zip Code

Tap & Table 198, LLC

* Signature of Individual or
Corporate Name (mandatory)

Re: Corporate Officer
(mandatory, if applicable)

82-4074101

Social Security No. (voluntary) or
Federal Identification Number

This license will not be issued unless this certification clause is signed by the applicant.

Your Social Security/Fed ID number will be furnished to the Massachusetts Department of Revenue to determine whether you have met tax filing or tax payment obligations. Licensees who fail to correct their non-filing or delinquency will be subject to license suspension or revocation. This request is made under the authority of Mass. G.L. c 62s. 49A.

Date: 11/14/18

cji/TPM

#4 (d) NEW BUSINESS – TREE CITY PROCLAMATION

This Arbor Day proclamation was prepared for the Tree City Designation Application. Grafton has had this designation for 18 years. More than 3,400 communities have made the commitment to becoming a Tree City USA. They have achieved Tree City USA status by meeting four core standards of sound urban forestry management: maintaining a tree board or department, having a community tree ordinance, spending at least \$2 per capita on urban forestry and celebrating Arbor Day.

The Board is asked to read the proclamation and vote to have the Chairman sign on their behalf.

MOTION:

I move the board vote to proclaim April 26, 2019 as Arbor Day and authorize the chairman to sign the proclamation

Arbor Day Proclamation

- Whereas:** In the year 1646, in the Town of Boston of the Massachusetts Bay Colony, the first recorded public tree planting in the new world took place as a community effort involving men, woman and children; and
- Whereas:** Arbor day which was begun 147 years ago by J. Sterling Morton, is observed traditionally in Massachusetts on the last Friday in April by the planting of trees as a living reminder that all citizens bear the responsibility of stewardship; and
- Whereas:** Trees can moderate the temperature, cut heating and cooling costs, clean the air, produce oxygen, lower the greenhouse effect, and provide habitat for wildlife; and
- Whereas:** Trees increase property values, enhance the economic viability of business areas, and beautify our communities; and
- Whereas:** Trees, wherever they are planted, are a source of joy and spiritual reward,

NOW, THEREFORE, The Board of Selectmen with the Town Administrator, in accordance with the General Laws, does hereby proclaim that April 26, 2019 to be

ARBOR DAY

And urge the citizens of Grafton to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands and to support community tree care programs; and further, we urge all citizens to plant trees, and otherwise take cognizance of this event and participate fittingly in its observance.

Signed by:

Sargon Hanna - Chairman

#4 (e) BAG FEE INCREASE PRESENTATION

Tim and Rebecca will have a brief presentation for the Board.